

California Condor Recovery Intern

Organization: American Conservation Experience (www.usaconservation.org)

Location: Pinnacles National Park, CA

Internship Description: The American Conservation Experience is seeking up to three full-time interns (40 hours per week) to assist with monitoring captive and wild California condors based at Pinnacles NP. The primary duties of the intern will be:

- 1) Tracking, monitoring and recording condor movements, behaviors and interactions.
- 2) Observing and recording feeding behaviors.
- 3) Speaking with the public and local community members about a high-profile endangered species which is reliant on public and private lands and hunting and ranching operations for its recovery.
- 4) Monitoring breeding behavior and nests.
- 5) Handling animal carcasses used for bait stations
- 6) Maintenance of equipment and facilities.
- 7) Other duties as assigned to gain experience with other work groups such as habitat restoration, public education and outreach, and feral pig management.

Internships will require: great attention to detail and safe work practices; the ability to work as part of a team as well as independently; an interest in talking with the public; the ability to hike up to 10 miles on steep and rugged terrain carrying 40+ lbs of equipment; a tolerance for summer temperatures that exceed 100 degrees; a sense of humor and patience. Interns will have opportunities to work closely with other partners and federal agencies, including the Bureau of Land Management. They will also assist in other natural resource management projects as needed see #7 above.

This is a 3-6 month internship with the possibility of extension. Applicants within commuting distance to Pinnacles National Park are encouraged to apply as housing is not likely available. Interns will work 40 hour weeks, including at least one weekend day with some evening work. Position is scheduled to begin in mid-January. Interested applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and 3 references to Jennie Jones at jennie_k_jones@nps.gov

Please write "Internship Application" in the subject line and send all application components as a single attachment using the following naming format: First name_Last name_Internship_Application

Please specify your available start date. Applications must be received by December 15, 2014 to be considered.

Qualifications: Highlight any education and experience with endangered species or wildlife, radio-telemetry, public speaking, basic maintenance tasks, 4x4 driving on primitive roads, and hunting and/or ranching operations. All or a portion of internship funding comes from sources dedicated to youth hiring.

Please indicate in your application if you are between the ages of 18 and 25. If additional funding is available for non-youth applicants those applications will be considered. We are seeking individuals with enthusiasm, self initiative, dependability and an open mind for all perspectives.

Stipend: \$200-360/week, depending on the number of positions available. Each intern will have a possibility of an AmeriCorps educational stipend.

Apply By: December 15, 2014. Note that applications will be reviewed upon receipt and early applications are encouraged.

Website: <http://nps.gov/pinn/>

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